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THURSDAY EVENING, 8 P.M., MAY 17, 1855.

Agreeably to notice given in conformity to the Constitution, the members of the Association assembled at the above named hour in the Lecture room of St. Andrew's Church, in Philadelphia.

After devotional exercises, a report of the proceedings of the Board of Managers during the year just passed, was submitted on behalf of the Board by the committee, to whom the duty had been entrusted, which, having been read before the Association, together with the account of the Treasurer, was unanimously accepted, and 3000 copies of the Reports ordered to be printed and circulated, under the direction of the Secretary.

Certain amendments to the Constitution, of which notice had been duly given, in conformity with its provisions, at a previous meeting, were then unanimously adopted, and are incorporated in the copy of the Constitution accompanying the Reports.

The Association then proceeded to an election of a Board of Managers, to serve until the next annual meeting, in May, 1856.

On motion the Association then adjourned.

D. S. MILLER, *Sec'y*,

EPISCOPAL MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION FOR THE WEST.

Board of Managers for 1855-6.

REV. W. B. STEVENS, D. D.,
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REV. RICHARD NEWTON, D.D.,
REV. C. D. COOPER,
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GEORGE L. HARRISON,
A. G. COFFIN,
G. W. NORTH,
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SAMUEL N. DAVIES, Walnut Street,

S. W. cor. Dock St., Philadelphia.

REPORT.

THE Board of Managers of the Episcopal Missionary Association for the West, present this, their Fourth Annual Report, with a gladness of heart which they have never before been permitted to indulge. We are now able to congratulate the Association on the realization of hopes which have been long deferred, and for the fulfilment of which, we have been required to wait with patience.

Before we commenced our efforts, the stipend of Missionaries in the Domestic field had been so notoriously inadequate, that efficient men who could procure respectable settlements in the elder dioceses, thought of the Western Missionary field as a last resort—a sphere in which none would be found except those who went by constraint, or who, born and educated west of the mountains, might prefer to labor there from mere local attachment. It was a cardinal principle in our organization, that we would furnish to them who might depend on us for aid, a comfortable subsistence,—that they should neither be driven to keep school, nor to till the ground, to eke out an insufficient and precarious livelihood. Intending to provide thus for our stipendiaries, we were equally bent upon the designation of men, upon whose soundness in the faith, whose efficiency in the pastoral work, whose personal piety, intelligence, and

tact we could repose confidence. How long we waited before we felt authorized to suggest the name of any new candidate for the Missionary field to the proper authorities, our constituents may remember, as well as ourselves. Repeatedly, when we were rejoicing in the confidence, that the consent of some excellent and well-qualified brother had been obtained to go, if appointed, to the "great West," our hopes have been suddenly dashed, until it seemed well-nigh impracticable to carry on the work by the instrumentality of agents, such as we were willing to employ. Our perplexity was increased by the expectations which had evidently been raised in the minds of friends in various parts of the country. Contributions came flowing into our treasury, unsolicited, from parishes which had before given little or nothing for Domestic Missions.

Thanks be to God, that He gave us faith to wait upon Him in constant prayer, and to tarry the Lord's leisure. Adhering steadily to our original design, and succeeding in moving one or two substantial, mature, and reliable men to enter upon our elected field—the then unorganized Diocese of Iowa—(an attainment which we were happy to announce in our last annual report,) we have thenceforth witnessed a most auspicious turn in our affairs and prospects. The churches at old Missionary Stations have been much strengthened, substantial edifices have been completed in three of them. One Missionary post, at least, has become self-supporting. New and important fields have been occupied; the Church has attained numerical strength sufficient to effect an organization, and to gain admittance to the General Convention. And the infant Diocese has elected,

and had consecrated to its service, a Bishop, whose past history gives assurance that his wisdom, his benignity, his holiness of life and conversation, his activity in the work of the ministry, will make him a blessing to his people, through this and, indeed, after generations. The influence of the character of its first Bishop, upon any new diocese, we can scarce over-estimate. He fashions the elements when they are in a plastic state, and they bear the impress of his moulding hand long after he has gone to his rest. A selection could not well have been made, by the Diocese of Iowa, more propitious of good, or more satisfactory to the Church at large. Since his accession to the Episcopate, Bishop Lee has been, for the most part, engaged in raising a fund for investment in Iowa, the proceeds of which shall be devoted to the further extension of the Church in that already populous, and most rapidly increasing State. Three excellent clergymen—two of them of long and honorable standing in the Church—have already followed the Bishop to his noble diocese, and are added to the list of those Missionaries for whom we provide a stipend. Others whom our friends would rejoice to see in the missionary field, are ready to go forth. The times are changed—means are now more wanted than men. A gracious influence has moved “able ministers of the New Testament,” occupying or invited to attractive fields in the old established Dioceses of the East, to turn their regards rather to the vast and hopeful regions of the West. We are no longer concerned at retaining in hand, unemployed, the missionary offerings of such as love “the Gospel in the Church.” We must rather appeal to them to replenish our

resources, and enable us to carry on the work, which under the pledges of their confidence, we have been enabled to begin. We have forborne to make proclamation of what we were doing—for we felt that results would be our only reliable and abiding witnesses.

Those results are now before the Church, “known and read of all men.” We should do wrong to convey the impression that the entire missionary work in Iowa for the past three years has been sustained by funds supplied from our treasury, and expended under our counsels. No: the Domestic Committee of the General Board, (whose Missionaries were in that State before our Association came into being,) have continued their appropriations; and the Missionary Bishop of the North-West, who, until recently, had jurisdiction in Iowa, in every case, nominated the Missionaries whom we proposed, and, in other ways, co-operated in our efforts. We point to results in the infant Diocese, not with the vain assertion that we have been the sole human instrument of their accomplishment, but confident that they would not have taken place without our aid, and alleging that a large proportion of the money employed in that Missionary Diocese in the support of its excellent corps of Ministers, has been supplied from our treasury. Any of our friends, who may have been surprised at seeing us reported in a Missionary paper of the Church as paying *two* Missionaries, will be pleased to know that *fifteen* Missionaries receive the greater part of their stipend from funds which we supply.

It was our happiness, at our first organization, to make such arrangements with the Domestic Com-

mittee of the Board of Missions, as to establish between us pleasant relations. And we have been, from that time forth, virtually auxiliary to that body. Every Missionary to whose support our funds are devoted, although his name be proposed by us, receives his authoritative appointment at their hands, and is enrolled on their list. They have never declined to appoint one whom we have (through the Bishop having jurisdiction over his proposed station,) designated. It has been, and is, and will be our aim to act in entire concert with, and due subordination to them, and other parties having legitimate power in the premises. We are no schismatics, loving division for its own sake, and aspiring to work in rivalry to an existing institution. Whatever our private opinions may be, of the expediency of the present machinery of the Church for conducting its missions, we do not seek to anticipate or hasten a change, while the general sentiment of the Church prefers a continuance of the present experiment. We organized because *we felt* the need of a subordinate instrumentality, through which we could co-operate satisfactorily to ourselves, and peaceably towards others, in the work of Domestic Missions. We have been sustained thus far, because our associates and supporters, far and near, have felt the same need, and find it supplied in the plan and action of this Society. We hope and believe that we shall be sustained in the future.

It is a privilege which we think worth the attention of our constituents, and the labor of our Board—to designate our own Missionaries and stations, and to distribute the monies intrusted to us in such way as to secure the comfortable maintenance of our sti-

pendiaries—and, for ourselves, the assurance that we are helping to retain none in the field whom it were better to pension, and send off of it. We wish the Gospel to be preached in its simplicity and purity, and the Church to be presented in her Protestant—Episcopal—character by all our representatives. And we will not knowingly employ or retain one who is not both willing and able, with the help of God, in his sphere, to execute our design.

In attempting to fulfil a work to which we feel imperatively called in the providence of God, we have had the satisfaction of knowing that a large portion of the resources which have been committed to us for expenditure would not have been devoted to Domestic Missions at all, had not this agency been in operation. Our Funds have come, for the most part, from parishes, which for reasons best known to themselves, had either ceased to contribute for Domestic Missions altogether, or had stinted their offerings to that department, to a measure far below its deserts, and their own ability. What has been given through us, has not been so much diverted from its ordinary channel, and drawn aside from the treasury of the Domestic Committee—but it has come from fresh sources, and has been an added current, swelling the tide of general beneficence.

Indeed, we will hope to be pardoned for the surmise, that we have not only thus indirectly brought new offerings to the one great cause of Domestic Missions, but that we have had some influence in giving increase to the contributions, which have gone directly into the treasury of the Domestic Committee. We have provoked others to love and good works. For the reforms which have been intro-

duced in the construction and proceedings of that Committee, for the energy with which it is now acting, and its vigilant and spirited efforts to reach the sympathies, and win the confidence of the Church, there is possibly more due to this Association than will ever be written, or even realized.

But our errand is not yet accomplished. It is the fault of our times to abandon remedial measures as soon as they begin to do good, and to revert to the use of old instrumentalities alone, so soon as their action is quickened a little by whatever influence. The tendencies of things in regard to the Domestic Mission work of the Church are now in the right direction; and the machinery for its prosecution, remodelled somewhat, and plied by energetic hands, promises notwithstanding its essential defects, to do better than heretofore. Still, it needs, we believe, besides its own motive power some pressure from without to keep it in effective and beneficent action. Reformation commenced, requires to be perfected, or relapse may be anticipated. Besides, for ourselves and those who sympathize with us, we have positive advantages in this voluntary Association, acting under its existing compact with the Domestic Committee, which we could not have if we were individually desirous to promote the missionary cause, directly through that more general organization.

We can *name* and, *at our discretion, provide for* our own Missionaries. And this is with us a vital point, for which we associated, and by which we will abide. We are tenacious of the license to bestow the funds, raised under our auspices, in support of those ministrations only, which we believe will build up

the Church in its true character, and conduce most effectually to the salvation of immortal souls. And we maintain the liberty to give devoted and able men, who will apply their time and talents to the laborious and self-denying duties of Missionary life on our Western frontiers, such recompense as shall meet their reasonable wants, and save them from anxiety respecting the subsistence of their households. We cannot cast our offerings into a common fund, out of which any portion, more or less, shall be drawn to support advocates of unsound doctrine, and ministrants of strange and meretricious modes of worship. We cannot connive in that system of semi-starvation, which, pursued in the conduct of Domestic Missions heretofore, has done much to deprive what may be termed the aggressive service of the Church, of those well-trained, vigorous, and hopeful soldiers of the Cross, who are best fitted to do valiantly, and to win new provinces for the Lord's kingdom ; and (with all sympathy and respect for them, be it said,) has sent many raw recruits and disabled pensioners to man the outposts.

We wish to cast no censure upon anybody in adverting to these things. They are, in some measure, incidental to an organization which attempts to be comprehensive of all interests in the church. Evils like these grow up, to some extent, around all large beneficent agencies, and are hard to be shaken off. We refer to them here only that we may felicitate ourselves that in our Association—whose bond of union is affinity, whose sphere of effort is limited, and whose period of action has been brief—there are no such cumbrous heir-looms to be cared for and perpetuated.

Of our freedom in this behalf we mean to keep the

charter, and to live and act under its liberal principles and provisions. We value our relation to the Domestic Committee, and shall do what we may in fraternal kindness and dutiful respect to maintain it. But we value "the liberty wherewith Christ has made us free" to labor for the extension of his cause still more. We will strive never to deserve excision or restraint, but if it come, we would be prepared to survive the one and to be unshackled of the other.

Multitudes in the church approve the organization and sustain the policy of the Domestic Committee, under whatever regime. We hope they will support it with hearty zeal and open hand. It never better deserved their co-operation than now. We do not seek to suborn them from their fealty.

Not a few sympathize with us in our principles, in our Protestant attachments, in our views of ministerial qualifications, in our desire to maintain only those who, in whatever else they may differ, agree with us in the elements of the Christian faith, and in our plan of disbursement—that faithful laborers shall have adequate support. To such we address ourselves with all earnestness—invoking their prayers, bespeaking their advocacy, and soliciting their contributions.

We have chosen thus far to do our work quietly. We have not been forward to keep ourselves before the public, through the medium of the press. We have deemed it more modest and considerate to stand under the shadow of the Domestic Committee, but we cannot afford to be so enveloped that our existence shall be forgotten. We may not innocently keep such prolonged silence, that they who hailed our organization with delight, and pledged us their sympathy and

support, shall overlook us in the transmission of their offerings. It is not a matter of indifference whether funds intended for Iowa, Oregon, or any other section of the West, to which our efforts are or may be directed, for building up the church in evangelical truth and Protestant simplicity, reach their destination through us, or through other channels. If our principles are sound, our purposes right, our mode of action judicious, our capacity to execute what we attempt worthy of confidence, they can be made efficient of good, just in proportion as we are supplied with means to give them embodiment and extension. We call, therefore, upon our constituents, and upon friends everywhere, whose sentiments we represent, and would fain make prevalent, and adjure them, if they approve what we have done, and desire what we are striving to effect, that they will afford us their help and countenance, at all times and by all methods.

Humbly submitting this plain statement of our history, doings, plans, modes of operation, and wants, to our associates, and imploring the blessing of Him, "without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy," upon this Society, and all its work past and future, we render back to the hands from which we received them, our trust, and the grave responsibilities which have attended it.

The financial operations of the Board during the past year indicate the continued desire, on the part of the friends of the Association, to sustain it. At the beginning of the year there was a balance in the treasury of two thousand six hundred and fourteen dollars and ninety-three cents, to which there have

been added receipts from various sources, amounting to three thousand nine hundred and forty-four dollars and seventy-seven cents. The expenditures having reached thirty-seven hundred and fifty-two dollars, ten cents, the balance now in the treasury is shown to be two thousand eight hundred and seven dollars, sixty cents—of which five hundred and fourteen dollars, twenty-one cents, stands subject to the order of this Association, in the hands of the Domestic Treasurer at New York. Although the receipts, and the balance now at the disposal of the Board, exceed the corresponding figures of last year, yet the largely increased scale of operations, which the providence of God seems now to be opening before us, would create fears of our ability to meet the demands of the coming year, if we had not a confident reliance upon the effect which will be produced by the present statement. The friends of the Association in the city of Philadelphia, contributed, of our receipts in the year past, the sum of nine hundred and eighteen dollars, sixty-two cents. From those residing in Pennsylvania, beyond Philadelphia, the receipts were two hundred and forty-nine dollars, eighty-five cents, or eleven hundred and sixty-eight dollars, forty-seven cents, from the Diocese of Pennsylvania; and the contributions from other Dioceses reached the sum of two thousand seven hundred and forty-six dollars, thirty cents. Of this latter amount, seven hundred and fifty-five dollars, eighty-four cents, was paid into the hands of the Domestic Treasurer in New York, subject to the order of the Episcopal Missionary Association for the West. It is hoped that many persons who sympathize with our movement, and are yet unwilling, from various causes, to send money to any

other treasury than that of the Board of Missions, at New York, will remember that they can just as efficiently assist us, by annexing to their remittances to New York the words "*Subject to the order of the Episcopal Missionary Association for the West,*" as by sending the funds to our own Treasurer, and that we may in this way feel, during the coming year, the value of their sympathy. Everything indicates a necessity for largely increased contributions, nor could the lover of the church and the gospel find a more propitious season or place for an investment for the Lord's account, than is afforded in the work of evangelizing the Great West.

There have been added, during the past year, to the list of those whom we support at this work, besides the Rt. Rev. H. W. Lee, who goes out not more as a Bishop of a great Diocese, than as a simple Missionary at large, laboring under the charge of this Association, in that young State, the Rev. G. W. Watson, at Bellevue, Iowa, a most active and promising position; the Rev. Edward W. Peet, who has taken charge at Fort Des Moines, on the borders of Nebraska; the Rev. Samuel Starr, who settles at Cedar Rapids—both long known to the church. The Rev. Mr. Russell goes to Stillwater, in Minnesota; another Missionary will be supported by our Board in Oregon, and negotiations have been entered into, by which four or five additional Missionaries, at an expense of perhaps two thousand dollars per annum, will enter upon their labors at a very early date. This addition to our force, if our operations should be stayed at this point, will require additional resources, and the Board look with confidence to an early response from those who know the importance of the field, and will be moved

by the considerations brought before them in the present report.

On behalf of the Board of Managers.

M. A. D. WOLFE HOWE,
D. S. MILLER,
S. N. DAVIES,

Committee.

PHILADELPHIA, *May* 17, 1855.

Dr.

Episcopal Missionary Association for the West,

J 1854.	To Cash paid Rev. Mr. Townsend,.....		\$40 00
June 8,	“ Sexton St. Andrew’s Church, for ser-		
July 20,	“ vices at Meetings of Board,.....		25 00
Septem.,	“ Order No. 52, to Rev. A. Louderback,		
	“ “ “ 53, for Rev. Dudley Chase,	50 00	
	“ “ “ 54, Rev. R. D. Brooke,	50 00	
	“ “ “ 55, Rev. Jno. Ufford,	50 00	
	“ “ “ 56, Rev. N. N. Cowgill,	100 00	
	“ “ “ 57, Rev. Saml. Goodale,	50 00	
	“ “ “ 58, Rev. Wm. Adderly,	75 00	
	“ “ “ 62, Rev. D. W. Tolford,	100 00	
	“ “ “ 61, Rev. J. Batchelder,	94 45	
	“ “ “ 63, Rev. C. Adams,	50 00	
	“ “ “ 59, Rev. Geo. Denison,	100 00	
	“ “ “ 64, Rev. Jno. A. Wilson,	75 00	
	“ “ “ 75, Ypsilanti, Mich.,	50 00	
Novem.,	“ “ “ 75, Rev. D. S. Miller,	200 00	
			1044 45
	To Cash King & Baird, for Printing,.....		72 48
	“ Order No. 65, to Rev. John Ufford,....		50 00
			\$1231 93
	Amount carried forward,		

in Account with Samuel N. Davies.

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1854.			
May 16,	By balance in Treasury as per last Report,.....		\$2614 93
	Cash from a member of All Saints' Church, Frederick City, Md., per Rev. Mr. Townsend,	\$40 00	
	" St. Mark's Church, in the Bowery, N. Y., by Rev. Dr. Anthon,.....	10 00	
	" St. Paul's Church, Wellsboro', Penna.,...	6 00	
June,	" S. School of St. Mark's Church, Lewis- town, Pa.,.....	11 00	
	" Rev. D. Caldwell, late Rector of Christ Church, Georgetown, D. C.,.....	21 96	
	" Right Rev. Bishop Meade,.....	50 00	
	" St. John's Church, Dubuque, Iowa,.....	10 00	
	" Missionary Society of Inquiry, at Theo- logical Seminary, Alexandria,	43 00	
	" St. John's, Norristown,.....	21 00	
	" Rev. Dr. Anthon, from Monthly Offer- ing of St. Mark's, New York,.....	50 00	
July,	" H. G., New Jersey,.....	2 00	
	" St. George's Church, Fredericksburg, Va.,.....	25 00	
	" Christ Church, Middlesex, Va.,.....	10 00	
	" Missionary Association of St. Paul's Church, King George County, Va.,...	15 00	
	" St. John's Church, Portsmouth, Va.,....	10 00	
	" Christ's Church, Waltham, Mass.,.....	81 88	
	" St. James' Church, Richmond, Va.,.....	60 00	
	" Anonymous, from New York, through Rev. Dr. Stevens,.....	100 00	
August,	" St. Paul's Church, Hickman, Kentucky,	\$7 00	
	" St. John's Church, Pequa,....	5 68	
		12 68	
	" Dr. T. M. Boyle of Aldie,.....	\$5 00	
	" Emmanuel Church, Middlesex, Virginia,	7 75	
		12 75	
	" Anonymous, from New York, through Right Rev. Bishop Potter,.....	100 00	
	" St. Andrew's Church, Pittsburg,.....	16 00	
Septem.	" Dr. G. L. Rose, of Geneva, N. Y.,.....	35 00	
	" E. T. Clark, Newtown, Conn.,.....	5 00	
	" John Rutherford, Sr., yearly contribu- tion,.....	5 00	
	" Grace Church, Charleston, S. C.,.....	25 00	
	" A Friend to Missions, Raleigh, N. C.,...	100 00	
	" St. Paul's Church, Brookline, Mass.,....	69 00	
October,	" St. James' Church, Perkiomen, Mont- gomery Co., Rev. Mr. Mintzer,.....	20 31	
	" Christ's Church, Middle Haddam, Ct.,...	15 00	
	" St. George's Church, Fredericksburg, Virginia,	25 00	
	Amount carried forward,	\$1008 08	\$2614 93

Dr. Episcopal Missionary Association for the West,

1854.	To amount brought forward,			\$1231 93
Novem.,	To Cash p'd ord. No. 60, per Rev. C. B. Stout,			
		Waukesha, Wis.,	50 00	
	" " " 66, for Rev. Jno. Ufford, ..		125 00	
	" " " 67, Rev. N. N. Cowgill,		50 00	
	" " " 68, Rev. Wm. Adderly,		100 00	
	" " " 69, Rev. Geo. Denison,		75 00	
	" " " 70, Rev. C. B. Stout,		50 00	
	" " " 71, Rev. J. Batchelder,		25 00	
	" " " 72, Rev. C. W. Tolford,		50 00	
	" " " 73, Rev. C. W. Adams,		50 00	
	" " " 74, Rev. A. Louder-			
		back,	50 00	
1855.				
January,	" " " 77, Rev. G.W. Watson,			
		Bellevue, Iowa,	100 00	
	" " " 78, Rev. S. Goodale,			
		Cedar Rapids,	75 00	
	" " " 79, Rev. D. Chase,			
		Chicago, Ill.,	25 00	
	" " " 80, Rev. J. Batchelder,			
		Burlington,	75 00	
Feb'y,	" " " 81, Right Rev. Bishop			
		Lee, of Iowa,	500 00	
	" " " 82, Rev. A. Louder-			
		back,	50 00	
	" " " 83, Rev. Dudley Chase,		25 00	
	" " " 84, Rev. John Ufford,		125 00	
	" " " 85, Rev. N. N. Cowgill,		50 00	
	" " " 86, Rev. Wm. Adderly,		100 00	
	" " " 87, Rev. G. Denison, ..		75 00	
	" " " 89, Rev. G.W. Watson,		125 00	
	" " " 90, Rev. J. Batchelder,		50 00	
	" " " 88, Rev. C. B. Stout, ..		50 00	
	" " " 91, Rev. C. W. Tolford,		50 00	
	" " " 92, Rev. E. Adams,		50 00	
March,	" " " 93, Rev. Mr. Town-			
		send, in full,	100 00	
	" " " 95, Rev. E. W. Peet,			
		Fort Des Moines, Io.		
		outfit and salary to		
		1st May,	141 67	
	" " " 94, Rev. Saml. Starr,			
		Cedar Rapids, Iowa,	100 00	
				2491 67
To Cash King & Baird, printing Circulars,			5 00	
" Jas. B. Dow, Boston, for advertising, ..			8 50	
" Expenses of Com. of Board,			15 00	
				28 59
Amount carried forward.				\$3752 10

in Account with Samuel N. Davies.

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1854.	Amount brought forward,	\$1008 08	\$2614 93
Novem.,	Cash received Subscription of H. C., Esq.,.....	10 00	
	“ “Anonymous,” New Jersey,.....	200 00	
	“ All Saints’ Church, Frederick Co., Md.,	31 33	
	“ Church of the Advent, Philada.,.....	65 67	
	“ St. John’s Ch., Portsmouth, Va., part of Thanksgiving Offering,.....	6 00	
	“ St. Mark’s Church, Frankford, Philada.,	25 00	
	“ 12 months’ Interest on \$2000, deposited in Girard Trust Company, at 4 per cent.,.....		80 00
Decem.,	“ All Saints’ Church, Frederick, Md.,.....	3 00	
	“ Miss Charity Holbrook, by S. & McCalla,	2 50	
	“ H. & L., “ “ “ “ “ “	7 50	
	“ St. Stephen’s Church, Wilkesbarre, Pa.,	50 00	
	“ Mrs. H. E. S., New York,.....	5 00	
	“ Church of the Messiah, Port Richmond, Philada.,.....	4 00	
	“ Missionary Asso. of St. Andrew’s, Phila.	275 00	
1855.			
January,	“ Grace Church, Honesdale, Penna.,.....	50 00	
	“ Grace Church, Berryville, Clark County, Virginia,	50 00	
	“ Wickliffe Parish, Clark Co., Va.,.....	9 50	
	“ Rev. R. Nash, Circleville, Ohio,.....	8 00	
	“ Trinity Church, Fauquier County, Va.,..	32 50	
	“ Christ’s Church, Towanda, Penna.,.....	20 00	
	“ St. George’s Church, Frederick, Va.,....	40 00	
	“ Zion Church, Jefferson Co., Va.,.....	36 00	
	“ A subscriber to Episcopal Recorder, by S. & McCalla,	10 00	
	“ St. Luke’s Church, Powhattan, Va.,.....	25 00	
	“ South Farnham Parish, Essex, Va.,.....	20 00	
	“ Advent Collection, York Co., Pa.,.....	18 52	
Feb’ry,	“ St. Andrew’s Church, Hanover, Mass., Rev. Samuel Cutler, Rector,.....	20 00	
	“ St. Paul’s Church, Boston,.....	150 00	
	“ St. James’ Church, Roxbury,.....	6 00	
	“ Ascension Church, Fall River,.....	3 50	
	“ Rev. C. B. Stout, Missionary at Wau- kesha, Wis., being amount of a Collec- tion in his Parish,.....	5 00	
	“ Advent Collection, St. Peter’s Church, Smyrna, Del., by James F. Wilson, Treas.,	5 00	
	“ Trinity Church, Carbondale, Penna.,.....	5 00	
	“ S. School of Trinity Church, Washing- ton, Penna.,.....	2 00	
	“ St. Mark’s in the Bowery, from Monthly Offering,	50 00	
	“ A Friend, by Mrs. Dean, New York,.....	20 00	
	“ St. John’s Church, Cleveland, Ohio,.....	8 00	
	“ Trinity Church, Princeton, N. J.,.....	90 00	
	“ Missionary Association, of St. Paul’s Church, Philada.,.....	100 00	
	Amount carried forward,	\$2477 60	\$2694 93

in Account with Samuel N. Davies.

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1855.	Amount brought forward,	\$2477 60	\$2694 93
Feb'y,	Cash received of Wm. H. Graham, Baltimore, Md.,	50 00	
	“ St. Luke's Church, Philada.,	378 09	
March,	“ St. Michael's Church, Trenton, N. J., ...	50 00	
	“ St. Jude's Church, Philada.,	38 36	
	“ St. Mark's Church, Fincastle, Va.,	10 00	
	“ Trinity Church, Buchanan, Va.,	18 00	
	“ St. Peter's Church, Clarksborough, N. J.,	15 00	
	“ St. Paul's Church, King George County, Va.,	12 50	
	“ St. Paul's Church, Chester, Pa.,	7 34	
	“ A Lady, by Rev. C. Barnwell, Jr., Charleston, S. C.,	25 00	
April,	“ Mrs. H., of Camden, N. J., ...	5 00	
	“ St. James' Church, Bristol, Penna.,	17 00	
	“ Mrs. Stuart, of St. Paul's Church, Prince William County, Va.,	5 00	
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	By the following amounts paid into the hands of T. N. Stanford, Esq., Treas. Domestic Com., New York, for the use of this Association, viz :		
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Feb'y,	From St. John's Church, Northampton, Mass.,	25 00	
	“ St. Paul's Church, Steubenville, Ohio, ...	26 00	
March,	“ A Friend to Missions,	10 00	
	“ do. do. Beaufort, S. C., ...	10 00	
May,	“ Ladies Benevolent Association, St. Michael's Church, Bristol R. I.,	30 00	
June,	“ A Friend to Missions, Beaufort, S. C., ...	9 00	
August,	“ St. Luke's Church, Rochester, N. Y., ...	250 00	
	“ Beaufort, S. C.,	7 75	
October,	“ St. Michael's Church, outfit,	20 00	
	“ Ascension Church, Esopus, New York, ...	7 00	
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Feb'y,	“ St. John's Church, Providence, R. I., ...	291 13	
	“ St. Michael's Church, Bristol, R. I.,	70 00	
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SAML. N. DAVIES, *Treasurer.*

May 7, 1855.

CONSTITUTION
OF THE
EPISCOPAL MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION FOR THE WEST.

Whereas, The rapid increase of population in the "Great West," demands a commensurate extension of the Missionary work of the Church in that portion of our country : and

Whereas, This work can be most efficiently prosecuted through the occupancy of important posts in that region, by able, well educated and pious Ministers of the Protestant Episcopal Church : and

Whereas, The present appliances and resources of the Committee for Domestic Missions of the Board of Missions of this Church, however judiciously employed, are believed to be insufficient for the obtaining and due maintaining of an adequate supply of Ministers well qualified for the work : Therefore,

Resolved, That we, the undersigned Clergymen and Laymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Pennsylvania, do associate under the name hereinafter designated, and for the purposes described in the following Constitution ; and do cordially invite the alliance and co-operation of our Brethren in the Church throughout the Diocese.

This Association shall be called, "THE EPISCOPAL MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION FOR THE WEST."

1. Its officers shall be a Board of Twelve Managers, including a Secretary and a Treasurer.

2. It shall be the duty of the Board of Managers, to acquaint themselves with the most promising points for Missionary effort in the West; to seek out devoted and efficient Ministers, who may be induced to occupy them; to make arrangements for their support, and to communicate with the Committee of the Board for Domestic Missions, respecting places, men, and means.

3. It shall be the duty of the Board of Managers also, to take all necessary measures for calling forth the contributions of Parishes; to audit the accounts of the Treasurer semi-annually, and to present annually to the Association, a full report of the wants, present resources, and reliable supplies of the Treasury for the ensuing year.

4. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all moneys entrusted to this Association; to transmit them (under instruction of the Board of Managers) to the Treasurer of the Committee for Domestic Missions of the General Board; to receive and keep on file, acknowledgements from him of all funds received from, and of the purposes to which they are designated by, this Association, and to present annually an account, approved by the Board of Managers, of all sums received and disbursed.

5. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to make a record of all the proceedings of the Board of Managers, and of the Association at their respective meetings.

6. The above-named Board of Managers shall hold a meeting on the first Monday in every month.

7. The Board of Managers shall consist of five Clergymen and five Laymen, beside the Treasurer, who shall always be a Layman, and the Secretary, who shall always be a Clergyman.

8. This Association shall consist of every Clergyman and Layman of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, declaring his assent to this Constitution, by or on behalf of whom there shall have been paid into the Treasury of the Association, a single sum of not less than *Thirty* Dollars, which shall constitute him a life-member, or a contribution for the current year of not less than *Three* Dollars, which shall constitute him an annual member.—Until the first annual meeting, all Clergymen and Laymen who shall have appended their names to this instrument shall be members.

9. There shall be a quarterly meeting of the Association, at which shall be made a Report by the Board of Managers, of the doings of the three months preceding; and at all meetings of the Association, the Bishop, if present, shall preside, and, in the absence of the Bishop, the oldest Presbyter.

10. The annual meeting of the Association shall be holden during the Session and at the place of meeting of the Diocesan Convention of each year, at which time the officers shall be chosen for the ensuing year.

11. This Constitution shall not be altered nor amended, except at an annual meeting, nor then, unless by a vote of two-thirds of all the members of the Association present, regularly convened after notice at a previous meeting.



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